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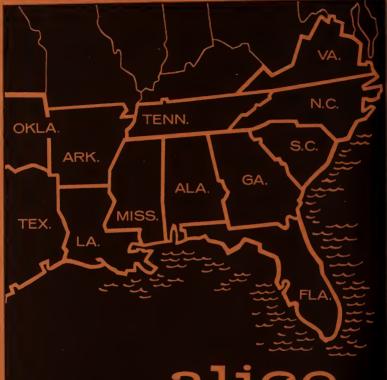
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your dying pines may have met her



alice

really gets around.

Her scientific name is

Dendroctonus Frontalis

and her common name the

Southern Pine Beetle.

Her specialty is killing groups of southern pine trees.

She's a true native and at home in the Southern States.

Alice just loves

HOT DRY WEATHER

ALICE is smaller than a grain of rice but wow!
Is she destructive!

She is especially dangerous when pines have been weakened by drought, windstorms, and fire. She loves a neglected or poorly managed forest.



If you can beat

ALICE

you're in business, friend.



But don't kid yourself.

It isn't easy.

She works hard and

ALICE

knows her stuff!

This is how she does it.— ALICE

moves around under the bark day and night and has she ever got an appetite! No grits, yams, or corn pone for ALICE.



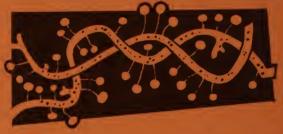
-She eats INNER BARK

and ALICE carves a capital
S to prove she's
a true Southerner—
and
to distinguish her work
from IPS bark beetles that
make I-shaped engravings.



All her friends & relatives help. And has she got pals! Thousands of them.

—And they all work together and girdle the trees with their many crisscrossed tunnels beneath the entire bark surface.



ALICE and her pals can kill millions of board-feet of timber if you give them the chance.

ALICE is also a family gal.



She has lots of babies—yes, hundreds of the little worms. They live inside the bark and grow fast.

In about a month her babies have grown up



-just like ALICE.

—And are they tough!
They chew pin-size holes
through the bark and fly
away—

to destroy more trees and raise ALICE'S GRANDCHILDREN.



The pine needles fade and the trees die.



T'VE BEEN SABOTAGED

After ALICE'S children have left, the pine needles turn red.

Are they mortified!

What to do about ALICE

—Never give her a break! She can convert your pine stands into

hardwoods

in no time flat!
When you see patches of dying pines—even four or five in a group—look for

ALICE

If she's there—

she'll show you.

Her S-shaped etchings on the inner bark and small, gum-like pitch tubes all over the trunk are a giveaway.



ALICE

has come to dinner!

Before you do anything about ALICE

-make sure she's at home.



If there are many holes like birdshot through the bark and the needles have turned red, she and her pals have "done gone."
You have been outsmarted!!

Look for ALICE'S
new home in green or faded
trees nearby. Her gumlike pitch tubes will be
her welcome mat.

Use a little horse sense



or your brains
—and DON'T overlook
a single infested tree.

Here are TWO ways to stop ALICE

—in her tracks.

Mark all of the infested
trees WITH ALICE and her
pals inside. Then cut the
trees and get them to the
mill as fast as you can

and you must work FAST.

When the bark is destroyed at the mill, ALICE will be really burned up!
But if you are too pokey

to keep ahead of ALICE or
—if you don't like
the idea of burning bark and
ALICE

together—

You can stop her with POISON



but first you must be sure to cut down EVERY infested tree WITH

the beetles in them.

Don't waste time and money
on trees that ALICE
has left behind.

ALICE is particular about her poison and how it is mixed.

To stop her it must be mixed just right.

Stir one gallon of
BENZENE HEXACHLORIDE (BHC)
concentrate
(containing about
one pound of gamma isomer
per gallon) into about 50
gallons of No. 2 fuel oil.

USE a garden-type sprayer or back-pack pump. Thoroughly spray the outside of ALL of the infested bark surface until the spray begins to run off. Be sure to cover the underside of the tree even if you have to roll the tree over.

This will fix ALICE
and her pals—
unless you have overlooked
a beetle tree—
or until another
ALICE FRONTALIS

comes along.

AND only YOU
can do the job right! Always
keep your eye out for
ALICE in your pine forests.
She's a dangerous gal
and a tricky one! BUT

be CAREFUL! BENZENE HEXACHLORIDE is poisonous to you, too. Keep it off your skin and away from your eyes and nose. Wash carefully with soap and warm water after mixing or applying the spray. Launder soiled clothes separately from other clothing and keep hands out of laundry water. Play safe and do the job RIGHT! Right?

For more information on control of the southern pine beetle, write or call—

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